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DIRECTOR

November 13, 2007

TO: Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: Sale of Dedicated State-owned Land
Baraga Management Unit – Keweenaw County
Land Transaction Case #20060226

Sale: 186.74 acres, more or less.

Description: Keweenaw County, Allouez Township, T57N, R32W, the SE ¼ of Section 6;
and the fractional NW ¼ of Section 7.

Purchasers: John T. and Jane C. Griffith, Calumet, Michigan

Sale Price: \$169,510.00 (includes transaction costs)

Authority: Part 21 of Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department)
November 26, 2007 Calendar and is eligible for approval on December 3, 2007.
The transaction was also posted in local newspapers as required by legislation.

Comments: The desired parcel is in the Baraga Management Unit, Keweenaw County,
approximately 15 miles north of the City of Houghton. The Forest, Mineral and
Fire Management Division (FMFM) determined the desired land to be surplus
to program needs due to isolation from other State ownership. The land is
inaccessible to the public and the Department because it is completely
surrounded by land owned by the purchasers. Funds from the sale will be used
to acquire replacement land of greater resource and recreational value, as part of
the Department's land consolidation strategy.

The proposed transaction was reviewed by Department staff, and the sale was
approved by the Land Exchange Review Committee on February 22, 2007.

The Mineral and Land Management Section of the FMFM reviewed this
transaction and determined that it is appropriate for the Department to convey
mineral rights with the sale of this parcel.

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The desired parcels were acquired by tax reversion in 1939.

The Land Exchange Facilitation Fund (LEFF) Act allows the Department to sell rights in land and deposit the proceeds in a fund, which can then be used to acquire replacement property. Deposit of said proceeds will not cause the fund to exceed \$2,500,000.00, as stipulated by legislation. Proceeds from the sale will be deposited in the LEFF.

- Recommendations: (1) That the sale be approved under authority of Part 21, Act 451 of 1994, as amended, with the State conveying mineral rights and reserving aboriginal antiquities.
- (2) That the proceeds from the sale be deposited into the LEFF.

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I approve the staff recommendations.

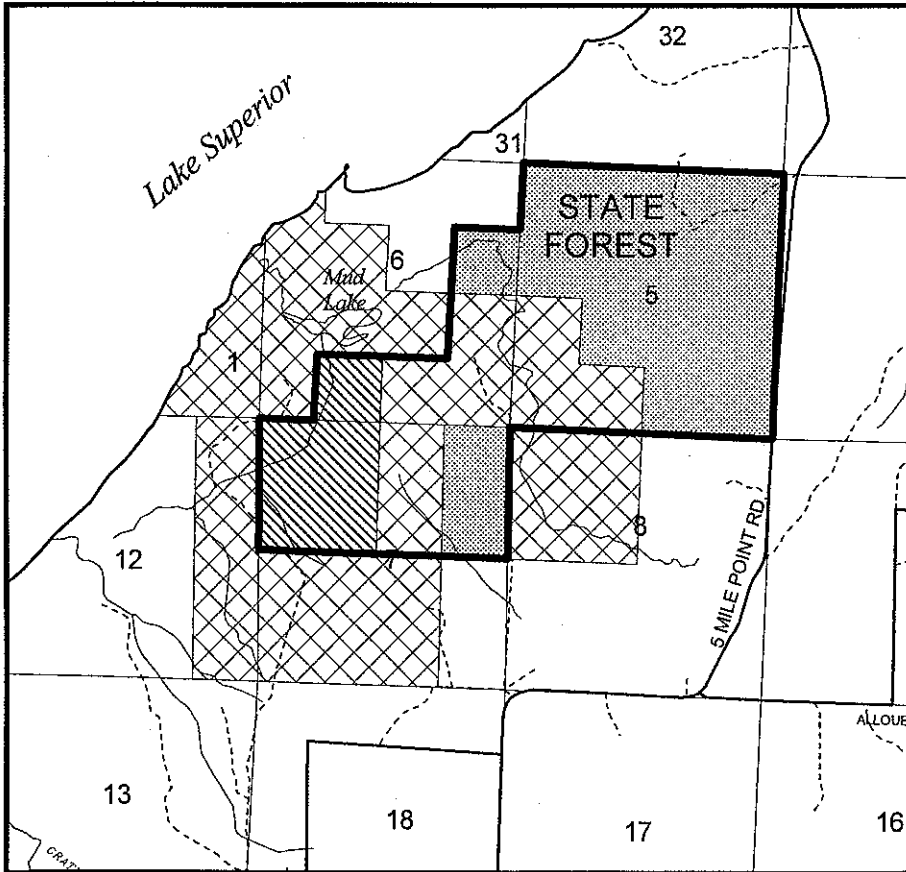
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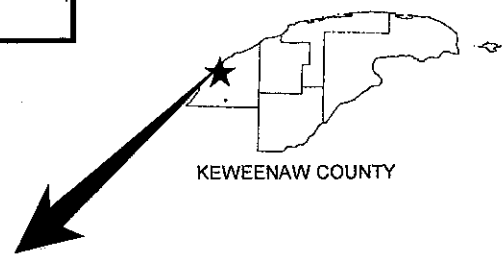
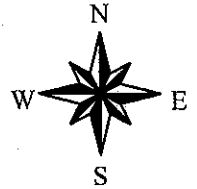
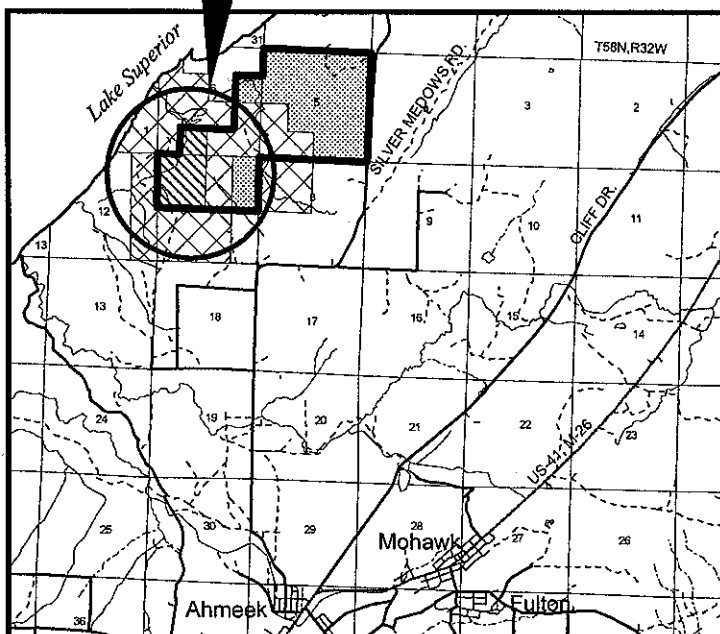
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Sections 6 and 7, T57N, R32W, Allouez Township



KEWEENAW COUNTY

- State Forest Boundary
-  State Land to be Sold (186.74 acres - \$169,510.00)
-  Applicants' Land
-  State Land
-  Private Land

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